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FANWOOD

Christmas Day has come and gone, but the festive decorations and holiday spirit remain throughout the season. The Christmas party for the pupils of the primary and intermediate grades held in the girls' study room on Friday afternoon, the 21st, was attended by most of the school personnel, as well as a large number of parents, who derived as much pleasure in watching the children as the children did in meeting Santa Claus.

The young children entered the room in a procession headed by Santa himself in the person of Mr. Lux, and gathered in a semi-circle around the large Christmas tree, gayly decorated with a myriad of lights and other ornaments.

At the tree Superintendent Skyberg was waiting to give Santa Claus a hearty welcome, and after answering Santa's queries as to the behavior of the children the past year, the distribution of gifts was begun. All the children were remembered with something in keeping with their years. Boxes of hard candy were also presented to all.

The following Christmas program for the pupils above the fourth grade was given by the Fanwood Literary Association on Thursday evening, December 20th, in the Girls Study Hall:

"SANTA AND SON"

A One-Act Play

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Santa, just a plain old-fashioned Santa . . . Leon Auerbach
Mrs. Santa Claus (her first name is Samanth) . . . Peggy Reston
S. Claus, Jr., their son, who wants all the modern improvements . . . Harold Schroeder

Ting } Santa's helpers, who prefer A-Ling. } Junior's methods . . . Roselle Weiner and William Abbott

Children: Christine Durso, Fannie Forman, Agnes Sakowicz, Walter Gaska, James LaSala, Oscar Norflus, Dominick Rullo

Fairies: Gertrude Beckerman, Evelyn Finn, Virginia Donahue, Lucy Taurio

The play concerned the tribulations brought upon Santa Claus by his ultra-modern son, who wished to change Santa's system and inaugurate airplane service and the like. Leon Auerbach, as Santa, had a hot job; being dressed in the usual pillows and two costumes, as he had to make a quick change during the play. Peggy Reston proved an able actress and Harry Schroeder carried off his part well; Roselle Weiner and William Abbott were also quite proficient in their parts.

The members of the School Staff, officers, and others of the School Family attended, and were afterward entertained at a Christmas Reception tendered by Superintendent and Mrs. Skyberg. Everyone expressed their enjoyment of the delightfully planned festivities.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Wednesday, December 19th, at the office of Mr. William W. Hoffman, Treasurer, at 22 William Street, at 2:30 P.M. The following were present: Major Francis G. Landon, President; Mr. Laurent C. Deming, Chairman, and Messrs. Duncan; also Superintendent Skyberg and Steward Davis.

The Barrager Lassies took the girls from the St. Joseph's School into camp last week. The Lassies led all the way and ran up a 25 to 12 victory with ease.

Twenty-five of our Boy Scouts attended the Inter-District Rally of the Manhattan Council on Saturday night, December 15th.

PENNSYLVANIA

The J. H. Eigenbrodts of Williamsport surely are learning the full meaning of hard luck. On November 14th Mr. Eigenbrodt was carrying a bucket of coal up the cellar stairs when he slipped, and fell all the way down to the cellar floor. As a result, he is now confined to the house with a broken rib. However, the fracture is mending nicely, and he hopes to return to his work soon.

And then, on November 17th, Mrs. Eigenbrodt was also involved in an accident. While shopping she stepped off the curb at the intersection of Fourth and Pine Streets and walked into the back of a moving car. She was not seriously injured, but the shock caused her to faint and she fell to the street. When revived from the fainting spell she was taken to the hospital emergency room, where examination disclosed a severe sprain of the right ankle, but no fractures. She was removed to her home and is up and around now, but only with the help of crutches.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Landis Miller, of Nisbet, at the Williamsport Hospital on November 15th. Mother and child are both doing nicely. Mr. Miller is the hard-of-hearing son of W. Scott B. Miller of Lancaster.

On November 21st, Mrs. Anna Plankenhorn, formerly of South Williamsport, took up residence in Williamsport with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eigenbrodt.

With Arnold Williams, in charge, the mission to the deaf that meets at Christ Church, Reading, has announced a social Saturday evening, December 29th. There is to be a sauerkraut supper in the parish house from 4 to 8 P.M., after which a movie show will follow. Those who know what Dutch cooking is like, especially the Berks county brand of Dutch, will want to wrap themselves around some of that sauerkraut! Of course, the fixin's go with it—pork, mashed potatoes, etc.

Ira M. Poorman was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Wyckter at Allentown on December 9th. Mr. Poorman has made his permanent residence with a sister at Easton.

Following the church services at Christ Church, Reading, on December 9th, a business meeting was held for the annual election of officers which resulted as follows: President, Arnold Williams; Vice-President, Russell Schenck; Secretary-Treasurer, Elizabeth Ahrens; Auditors, Edwin C. Ritchie and Russell Schenck. The president then appointed the following committee on socials: Mrs. Gilbert Akers, chairman; Mrs. Edwin C. Ritchie, Miss Elizabeth Ahrens, and Messrs. Edwin C. Ritchie, Clarence Goldberg, and Paul Gomis.

New York City

Mr. John Glass, a former pupil at Fanwood in the 1880's, and who worked as a tailor there in 1890, has been living in Colorado for several years. Recently on a hunting trip in the mountains his legs were frozen and had to be amputated later. Colorado Welfare authorities would like to locate his relatives in New York City, if there are any.

Miss Pearl Pearson, of Bancroft, Va., is visiting New York City for a vacation and having a fine time. She was at the Theatre Guild show last Saturday.

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NEW YORK CITY

H. A. D.

The regular meeting of the H. A. D. was held on Sunday afternoon, December 16th, with a capacity attendance. The main business of the afternoon was the nomination and election of officers for the ensuing year. The election was close and it seemed that everybody was anxious to run for office. Maybe the new home has something to do with it. Mr. Emil Mulfeldt was elected by acclamation President of the H. A. D. Moses Schnapp beat Mrs. Sam Greenberg as First Vice-President, while Lester Cohen won by a narrow margin on second ballot over Charles Joselow as Second Vice-President. Arthur Kruger defeated Mr. Charles Sussman for Secretary. Henry Plapinger was re-elected Treasurer by a close vote over Abraham Barr. So close was the contest among the ten candidates for Board members (four to be elected), it was deemed proper to call the next regular meeting in January when another election will be held.

Immediately after the election, a movie program was shown. "Big Money" was the feature film. The pictures of Boston N. F. S. D. Convention and New York N. A. D. Convention (taken by Mrs. M. Teweles) were also reeled off.

Two inter-collegiate basketball games were held at the H. A. D.'s newly constructed court, Wednesday evening, December 12th. The H. A. D. Five lost to the Mogul A. C., 26 to 31, while in the preliminary game the Teddies rallied in the second half to conquer the H. A. D. Lassies, 12 to 16.

A new committee was formed for a membership drive. Charles Sussman was named chairman, with the following as his assistants: Mesdames J. Jampol and M. Schnapp and Messrs. A. Fogel and H. Hecht.

A good sized crowd at the Temple Beth-El court saw the H. A. D. Five record a 31 to 26 triumph over Holy Trinity Church team, Wednesday, December 19th. The victors led all the way and never gave the losers a chance. Shafranek and P. Weiner starred for H. A. D., with eleven and ten points, respectively.

DEAF-MUTES' UNION LEAGUE

At the regular monthly business meeting of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League, held on Thursday evening, December 20th, the attendance was 234, the largest during the 1934 meetings. This is accounted for because after the business meeting, the election of officers for 1935, took place.

The results of the election were as follows: President, Nathan Schwartz (reelected); Vice-President, Henry Hecht; Secretary, Joseph Mortiller (reelected); Treasurer, Samuel Lowenthal (reelected); Board of Governors: Samuel Frankenheim (reelected); Jack Ebin (reelected); Ludwig Fischer, Lester Cohen and Joseph Sturtz.

The League will hold a New Year Eve Celebration on Monday night, December 31st.

The 49th anniversary of the founding of the League will be held at the rooms, 711 Eighth Avenue, on the 5th of January, 1935.

Mr. Joseph Worzel assures all that the Basketball Dance to be held at the Heckscher Foundation, Fifth Avenue and 104th Street, on Saturday night, January 19th, 1935, will be more interesting than the one he managed last year under the auspices of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League. The greatest interest will be centered in the

game between the Lexington and Fanwood basketball teams for the Hodgson Memorial trophy, which the Lexington ball tossers won last year. Mr. Worzel adds that the game between the K. L. D. and Union League will be equally interesting.

K. L. D. NOTES

The Lexington School basketball team will participate in the Basketball Meet under the auspices of Knights and Ladies of De'l'Epee, which will be held at Stuyvesant High School on Sunday evening, December 30th.

The L. A. A. team will play either the K. L. D. Juniors or the Margraf Club in the second game depending on the outcome of the details. However, it is certain that the Juniors will be the opponents. Last year they beat the Juniors in a close game.

The starting line of the K. L. D. Seniors will be Christopher Bradley, Eugene Bradley, Frank Fontanetta, Lawrence Ward, Liberator Fioto, Andrew Luzardi and Leo Waszeneck. Liberator Fioto and Leo Waszeneck who were the stars of K. L. D. Juniors last year, will try their prowess for the first time against the heavy teams. They are now practicing at Stuyvesant every Friday evening. A game with the leading local team will begin at 7:30 P.M., every Friday.

The new team of the K. L. D. Lassies will probably find themselves too light for such a team as the H. A. D. Lassies, who have more experience. However, some are certain that the H. A. D. Lassies may get a surprise when they meet. Here goes the bell!

The American Society of Deaf Artists held their regular business meeting at Alexander's studio Saturday evening, December 15th, 1934. Officers elected for 1935 were President, F. C. Berger; Vice-President, H. C. Borgstrand; Secretary-Treasurer, Jacques Alexander; Board of Trustees, J. Nesgood, W. Myer and J. Brown. Two new members were admitted.

Bessie Hillery, of Newark, N. J., her mother and grandmother, were hostesses to the Loyalty Social Club (colored) last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. F. Voorhees (hearing), of Newark, was a guest. Miss Gantt, secretary of the club, has received applications for memberships from Miss Barbara Kea, of Philadelphia, (now residing in New York) and Mrs. Agnes Jackson, of Rochester, N. Y. Their names will be presented at the next month's meeting.

Miss Ida Frank, of Lakewood, N. J., who died on the December 20th, was buried in Linden Cemetery on Friday, the 21st. Several New York friends of the deceased attended the funeral. They included Mr. and Mrs. Byck, Mrs. Eisen, Mr. Eisenberg, Mrs. Prisament and son, Mrs. Ludwig Fischer, Sol Patcher and M. Monaeless.

Edward Rappolt met with an accident last week. He slipped on the sidewalk on his way to work and was taken to a hospital with a dislocated collar-bone. He is now at home, but it will be quite some time before he will be able to return to his duties at the Funk & Wagnall printery.

The Brooklyn Guild of the Deaf will have their Christmas Festival on December 29th at St. Mark's Parish House, 230 Adelphia Street, near DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, instead of the 26th as originally planned. Mr. Charles B. Terry is the chairman in charge.

Mrs. Ada R. Quinn, of Grand Valley, Colo., is visiting with her sister, Miss Alice Studt.

OMAHA

Football has come and gone and basketball is now at the fore. The Nebraska School has a pretty good team this year. It made the season's debut Tuesday night, December 4th, with a victory over Underwood High School, 20 to 17, in the beautiful renovated N. S. D. gymnasium. The visitors held an 8 to 6 advantage at the half, but Captain Elvin Miller, who had been out of town, arrived in time to trot out on the floor early in the third period and his appearance sent the deaf lads into a scoring splurge. Johnny Rosenblatt, hearing brother of our Abe, was referee. The Underwood lads are handicapped by having no home gymnasium for practice, but put up a real scrap all the way, nevertheless. There are four veteran basketball players at the N. S. D. to carry the burden for Coach Nick Peterson. They are Kenneth Garner, Gerald Sparks, Captain Elvin Miller and Emil Schultz. The last one will be ineligible after January 30th. Among last year's reserves who are expected to see action are Thomas Auxier, Meyer Rosenblatt, Archie McDevitt, Jack McCafferty, Jack Stafford and Joe Steckal. On Friday, December 7th, they beat Louisville, (Neb.) High, 31 to 14, with no doubt as to the outcome. And again on Tuesday night, December 11th, they smothered the Kennard, (Neb.) High cagers, 37 to 15. Captain Miller, center, and Kenneth Garner, guard, formed the nucleus of their offensive. Miller captured high scoring honors with 18 points. We hope they are on the goal to another championship. Coach Cecil Scott's Iowa School basketeers opened the season, playing a game with the Mondamin, (Iowa) High School team, Friday evening, December 6th, and lost 35 to 11 on the hearing boys court. This we regret but hope the Iowa boys win the rest of their state schedules, as they have five veterans on their team this year in the persons of Edward Woodruff, Willis Van Roekel, Wayne Bennett, Harry Ginsburg and Harold Skalicky. The Iowans play with us January 19th and 29th.

Miss Loretta Ruskin of Boonville, Mo., has been in Omaha the past few weeks, visiting friends. She is an attractive addition to the younger set.

Rev. Homer E. Grace of Denver, was in Omaha, December 1st. He assisted Bishop E. V. Shayler in a confirmation service for Mrs. Lloyd Thomas and Virginia Sewell, daughter of Mrs. Mollie Sewell. Bishop Shayler's beautiful and inspiring sermon was interpreted by Mrs. Ida Hendee in clear and expressive signs. Subject, three questions: "Why are we here? Whence did we come? Where are we going?" The Episcopal Guild had an afternoon session at the home of Mrs. Harry G. Long, Tuesday, December 11th. A party at the parish house is planned for some evening in January.

Appropriations totaling \$97,500 were requested for the Nebraska School in the State Board of Control biennial budget submitted at Lincoln, recently—\$75,000 for an additional unit to the school house and equipment, \$30,000 for a new hospital building and equipment and \$10,000 for repairs and replacements.

The Catholic Ephpheta Club for the Deaf met in the basement of St. Mary Magdalene Church, Sunday afternoon, December 9th. After services they held a short business session, then elected the following officers for the ensuing year. President, Victor J. Beran; Vice-President, Miss Viola Gleeson; Secretary, John Tubrick; Treasurer, Joseph Purpura; Trustees, Miss Clara Purpura and George L. Revers.

Omaha Division No. 32, N. F. S. D., held its annual election of officers at the December meeting. Charles M. Bilger was elected President; Jos. A. Purpura, Vice-President; Albert M. Klopping, Secretary; Dale D. Paden, Treasurer; Charles Sinclair, Director; Frank Chase, Sergeant-at-arms; and

Joseph Purpura, third trustee. The other trustees are Bennie Delehoy and Hans Neujahr, first and second respectively. Charles Bilger was chosen official reporter of *The Frat*.

Albert Barber and his sister, Charlotte, of Bayard, Neb., were in Omaha the latter part of November, visiting friends. Miss Barber left for home a week later. While here, Albert was the guest of his crony, Albert M. Klopping. Just two Alberts in different form. Mr. Barber and Robert Gehm, of Colorado, who now resides near the Barbers, left Omaha, Wednesday, December 11th, for a short visit in Lincoln, then they will go to Los Angeles. They seem to have the wanderlust.

Mrs. Robert W. Mullin had a painful accident the first week in December. She slipped off a chair and fractured her foot.

Mrs. Edith Parker, girls' supervisor at the Nebraska School the past twelve years, died recently. She was a hearing lady and was loved by all who knew her.

Floyd Zabel, of Western, has been visiting deaf friends in nearby towns to keep from getting lonesome during the winter months. Why not come to Omaha, Floyd, and take in the merry whirl.

Hans Neujahr has a new 1934 model Plymouth streamlined car, and he gets a lot of pleasure out of it. We venture to predict that he will fill it up with Omaha folks and head for the Frat convention in Kansas City next summer. We know the fair ones come first.

Omaha Division's Bridge and Bunco party, held Saturday night, November 24th, was a success. There were nine tables at Bunco and five at Bridge. The "bunco-ers" were excited throughout the game and keen interest was also shown by the Bridge competitors. Carl Jourdan won first prize for high score at Bunco and Mrs. Harry G. Long was second. At Bridge Clifford C. Ormes and Mrs. Dale Paden won first and second respectively. Cake, coffee and peanuts were served. The affair was in charge of Harry G. Long, chairman; Dale Paden; Charles M. Bilger and John M. Toner.

Once more that big "chunk of beef," Albert M. Klopping, with Albert Barber, Robert Gehm and a couple of hearing friends drove out to the former's cabin along the Platte River, Friday, December 6th, bent on rabbit hunting. It was stormy that day and the day previous, with nearly three inches of snow on the ground. Rabbits were so plentiful that the men gave chase and hardly needed their shotguns. Results, fifteen nice rabbits and a "feast for the gods." One of the fellows told me there were so many rabbits playing blind man's bluff that Brother Klopping didn't know which way to turn till one little bunny jumped in his coat pocket.

On October 28th, Mr. and Mrs. Ziba L. Osmun were expecting Mr. and Mrs. John M. Chowins, of Lincoln, for dinner at their farm home near Stromsburg. About forenoon other people began to arrive. Mrs. Osman became alarmed as how to feed so many, but finally some forty deaf friends from neighboring towns had arrived, bringing all kinds of delectable things. She felt at ease and found it was to commemorate her birthday. The guests presented her with a cash gift. The affair was a most enjoyable day for all.

We quote from a clipping sent us "The house cat is coming to the aid of science in solving some of the problems of deafness which afflict ten million Americans. How the cat's ears furnish natural living laboratories where human deafness is almost exactly duplicated came out in one of the clinics of the American College of Surgeons which held its annual meeting at Chicago last fall. The work was demonstrated by H. Davis, H. A. Derbyshire and M. H. Lurie, of Harvard Medical School. By study of the cats, the physicians hope to alleviate the handicaps of humans."

HAL AND MEL

High Light-spots of the Addresses of the International Congress at New Jersey

Selections by Zeno
No. 8

EDITH FITZGERALD

Associate Principal Virginia School for Deaf and Blind

"It is impossible in a few lectures to touch even the outstanding points set forth in 'Straight Language for the Deaf.'

"One of the most important phases of the method is its self-corrective side."

"In this way, their (the children's) mental development is very materially furthered, and mere memory work is largely eliminated."

"The method has often been called one of mental development through language."

"Finally the method leads to the natural unfolding of language from year to year."

"The key is for all grades and all subjects."

"The deaf child needs a guide in the place of the 'hearing' sense which he lacks."

"Language must look right to him."

"A hearing child would never think of saying 'gave me it.' The deaf child must be shown not to make the mistake. We do it by showing him in a *non-language way*."

DR. MAX FRIEDRICH MAYER

Professor of Psychology, University of Missouri

(For some unknown reason, neither Dr. Mayer's name nor his speech appears in Mr. Pope's book. The quotations that are given below, were taken from the Iowa *Hawkeye* which printed the article in full. I am unable to find the *Hawkeye*, but I believe that the preserved notes are correct. This is a free country, and thought ought to be free.—Z.).

"I deny that the sign-language is beautiful."

"I assert that a school for the deaf is a nuisance to be abolished."

"It is a fad existing in some schools for the deaf to forbid the use of gesture."

"If one inquires about the reason, he receives the answer that children who sign, are unwilling to acquire an oral language."

"To a psychologist or any other man of science or even any ordinary school teacher, this answer is likely to be unsatisfactory."

"It is no untruth, but it is only a half-truth, and a half-truth under conditions may become worse than a falsehood."

Does effective knowledge of French and German make a Dutchman unwilling to learn the English language in addition? Who ever heard of it?"

"I can see only one condition which can reasonably be adduced as a deterrent (to the child) to taking trouble to learn this additional medium (oralism), and this is the firm or certain knowledge (on the part of the child!) that the learner will never have access to English-spoken society (of grown people) or to English-written books (of the same mature people)."

"Give the deaf child the company of loquacious children, and you will give him a desire to be able to speak himself (!!)"

"It is not surprising that the Abbé de l'Epee, overwhelmed by deaf children of far from wealthy parentage, should have despaired of teaching them all to speak the French language (the traditions coming to me during my six-year residence in Paris—from old deaf-mutes who even knew Clerc—must have been incomplete or misleading.—Z.).

"It is not surprising that he should have fallen back on the gesture language which the children coming to him, already possessed and used with each other (in their pre-school existence the children had regularly sought out each other's company, assembled and, in time, perfected an usable sign-system!!!), should have thought it his salvation to elaborate this spontaneous gesture language by artifices of fingerings instead of continuing the big task of teaching speech."

"The deaf should be on the safe side and learn to sew and cook, to plant and harvest, to feed the chicks and churn butter out of cream, to make furniture and repair the house, with more technical than poetical language facilities needed to sew and cook and saw hammer."

ZENO.

(Dr. Mayer is said to have declared that "the sign-language is not beautiful." I insert here a paraphrased poem which, of course, is not mine. Forget the foreign character of the contemptible signs; listen, instead, to the solemn protest of this same despised language, the real province of which, as the sustainer of soul-vitality in the lives of the deaf, lies far, far beyond the understanding of stilted psychologists and superficial and morbid teachers.

The Signs' Dirge

"Amen: in the toppling arm,
Let the eager blood stop its flow,
And on the bitter mind the harm
Beat its dire blow."

"Let schools call profane
All that we hold so fair,
Nods or mirths. Close the lane,
Hack down the stair."

"As raven to the croak,
As robber to the den,
You to false hope. Hem your cloak
With gilt and mince truth. Amen"—Z.).

Gallaudet Home

The old people assembled in the chapel on the morning of November 21st, to hear Rev. Braddock deliver an interesting and eloquent talk about Armistice Day. After that he officiated at a service of Holy Communion, and that evening left for his home in the Metropolis, taking with him as a gift from Miss Martin and Miss Allen, a delicious cake for his baby daughter, Margaret's first birthday the next day. The cake was decorated with the inscription, in pink, "Happy Birthday."

We, of the Home, entertained our good friend, Miss Barriger, at dinner on the 26th of November, the day before she left for New York City. Her generosity provided us with two fine and plump turkeys and all the trimmings, which we greatly enjoyed on Thanksgiving Day. Miss Young, a member of the Board of Lady Managers, kindly provided the ice-cream which made for us, the ending of a perfect meal.

Cold weather is approaching fast, and it is not always pleasant outside, or even far away from a cozy fire inside, especially in the evenings. Mrs. Kohl, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Stevens, and Mr. Burmeister enjoy playing dominoes and checkers during the evenings, to pass away time, which otherwise might hang heavily on their hands.

We recently had a five-days' pouring rain here at the Home, but since then it has cleared off and the weather is very different and pleasant as we write.

Airplanes often fly over the fields and roads and buildings of the Home, to provide pleasant thrills because of their speed and the spirit of adventure they signify to us of the Home family.

The woods and field around the Home are bare and brown now, but it will not be long before they are all covered and buried beneath the snow, which protects the plants and roots from the rigors of the cold wind and storms, and beautifies every object it covers—even the ugliest and most sordid. The snow does a great work for the world by protecting life and beauty and preparing it for the coming spring and summer. The snow glorifies the homely and ugly landscape and makes it a thing of real beauty.

Mrs. Jennie Cox had a birthday on the 4th of December. Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Leary and Mrs. Redmond were served at the birthday party given by Misses Martin and Allen. The supper table was decorated in a pink and white color scheme. Mrs. Cox was the recipient of some presents from the matrons.

J. M. B.

OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to Miss B. Edgar, 56 Latta Ave., Columbus, O.

Principal R. Nilson and H. Hutchinson, the field agent; Mr. Taylor, the florist, Mr. Truxall and the carpenter at the school were the actors and *actresses* in a play, "The Fatal Necklace," at the Columbus Women's Club party on December 17th. As their friends could not attend this, they decided to have their dress rehearsal in the school chapel after four o'clock. Only teachers could attend and each paid ten cents, as the actors thought it worth that much to see them and the money went towards the Boy Scouts of the school. 'Tis said the acting was well done and all were kept laughing. Mrs. Nilson interpreted for the deaf teachers.

Yesterday evening, December 19th, a very delightful play was given in chapel preceding the Christmas party in the large dining room. It was called The Christmas Shadow, and was well acted by the pupils who took part. Since organizing a pupils' dramatic club and having a committee on dramatics, more interest has been taken in school plays and the acting has been perfect. Mr. Nilson and Mr. LaFountain were the committee in charge of the Christmas play. Santa Claus arrived by stratosphere much to the surprise of all. The stratosphere was perfect in reproduction, and Santa (Isaac Shimp, a pupil) did his part well. A fine treat was given in the dining room.

The little daughter of Principal and Mrs. Nilson, upon seeing Santa Claus, could not sit quietly and ran right up onto the stage to the astonishment and amusement of the crowd. Santa was quite surprised and handed her a rubber ball from his bag.

I had the pleasure of seeing the many gifts prepared in the matron's room for those who could not enjoy a visit home. About thirty are to remain. The gifts, mostly donations from merchants, will bring much happiness to the left-overs, as there are plenty to serve all generously Christmas Eve.

Mrs. J. W. Jones and her two grandsons were interested visitors at the Christmas play and the party.

Mrs. Hines, aged 89, and a resident of the Ohio Home for several years, suffered a stroke last Sunday and later died. She was the sister of the late Mr. Redington, who passed away at the Home a short time ago. Mr. Will Hines, her son, visited her late in November. The remains were taken to her former home for burial. She was a fine woman and much liked by all.

Mrs. Catherine Derby Ryder, of Dayton, was the week-end guest of that great dancer, Esther Thomas Wood, and then spent a short time with Mr. and Mrs. LaFountain. Miss Thomas, after her long stay at the Arabian Grill, went to Cincinnati, where she and her husband were to have floor shows at one of the large night clubs. Then it was on to Miami, Fla., for the famous couple.

Mr. Eugene McConnell, of the Iowa school, is to be the guest of the Zells over this week-end and then goes to Clyde, O., to visit with his aunt.

The Zells, with Mr. Mather, expect to spend Christmas with relatives in Dayton. Then Mr. and Mrs. Mather may go to Berea, Ky., for a day or so before returning to Richmond, Ind., to spend the holiday season at the Mather home.

Miss Katherine Toskey is to spend her vacation at Newport, Ky., as guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bacheberle. The Jacobsons are headed for Cincinnati, too, to be guests of Mrs. Jacobson's mother.

Miss Bessie Lawson is to spend her vacation with an aunt in or near Cincinnati, and it looks as if I should get some good Cincinnati news early in January with so many from Columbus there.

Mr. Colin McDonald's friends are sympathizing with him in the loss of his mother and his sister. The latter died at a local hospital just as the mother was buried. Surely this is a sad Christmas for Colin.

Only twenty-two turned out for the social at Trinity Parish House December 13th, and just a small sum was raised for needy families.

From reports Mr. Albert Bannon, of Columbus, is ill and quite seriously so at a transient home on Rich Street. I remember when Mr. Bannon first came to the Ohio school as he had to be dressed like a girl to keep him from running away. Later he learned to like the school.

A member of the 1932 class, Willa Savidge, is now a sister-in-law of Mrs. Victor Knauss as she became Mrs. David Mackey recently. He is a hearing brother of Mrs. Evelyn Mackey Knauss. The newlyweds are now living in Cleveland.

Another member of the class of 1932, Mrs. Gladys Walters Campbell, became the mother of an eight-pound son a short time ago. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Campbell are justly proud of their youngster.

In a contest in a grocery store near her home, Mrs. C. C. Neuner, of Columbus, came out the winner of a ton of coal and then the thermometer went sliding down so fast the coal did not look like a ton very long.

The Cameron M. E. Church of Cincinnati issues a Bulletin each month to its members and this helps to keep them in close touch with their church. Just now they have a committee to keep a close record of church attendance beginning in January and those attending regularly will be awarded medals at the end of the year 1935. All attending will find a warm comfortable room as just lately \$135 has been paid out for furnace improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Sawhill, of Pittsburgh, were in Akron, December 8th, to see the "House of Wu" as presented by the Detroiters, and they reported it as a good production and well received. She was boosting the Akron players, who were to give a return play in Detroit, December 15th.

Mrs. Sawhill is gradually improving after her recent illness, but still has to take things slowly.

Happy New Year to you all.

E.

party in her honor. But the guest of honor was sick in a bed with a cold and her departure postponed for a week or so until she is able to travel.

Those present to bid her farewell were Mesdames Lowell, Sheastley, Boesen, Ecker, Hale and Suley, and Misses Pauline Kimball and Bessie Zurfluh. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Lorenz.

Mrs. Key was over at Seattle to be with the rest of the family on Thanksgiving. The dinner was held at the Roy Paulson home and Mrs. Key remained for a few days' visit ere returning to Butte, Mont.

Marguerite Lewell was home from the Vancouver school to spent Thanksgiving with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lowell. Marguerite likes the school very much now, although she did not at first like to change from the day school here to the state school. Mrs. Lowell cooked her first turkey—a 15 pounder—this year. Heretofore her mother had attended to such details. Everyone said it was the equal of any bird they'd ever eaten, but Mrs. Lowell says nobody could ever equal her mother's cooking. Of course, not.

E. A. S.

DETROIT

Mrs. Warsaw, mother of Miss Helena Warsaw and Mrs. Ralph Beaver, passed away at her residence in Bay City, Michigan, about three weeks ago. She had suffered from cancer for two years. Mrs. Beaver and Helena Warsaw attended the funeral services.

Miss Thelma Heck, of Flint, spent the week-end of last December 1st, as guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Brown. They attended the "House of Wu" play at the C. A. D.

Mrs. Nellie Kenney got up a farewell party in honor of Miss Irene Smith, who left for her home town in Mississippi. She had a very pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kenney for over one month. She was in Akron, O., and met several old schoolmates; also several friends in Flint and Lansing, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Cordano, of St. Joseph, Mich., motored to Flint and got their son and then stopped in Detroit and visited both clubs last month. They took Mrs. Kenney to Lansing.

Business conditions among the Detroit deaf are somewhat improved. Several have recently been rehired at the Fords and quite a few have found work along other lines at Briggs and Hudson.

The Detroit chapter at its regular meeting on December 2nd, elected new officers as follows: Wm. Strong, of Pontiac, Mich., as president, Peter Hellers as vice-president, Mrs. Ben Beaver as secretary and Mr. Daniel Whitehead as treasurer.

The D. A. D.'s officers for 1935 were elected: Mr. Alex Lobsinger as president, Mr. Ben Beaver as secretary, and Mr. De Fozzino as treasurer.

Mrs. Nellie Kenney spent the week-end of November 25th, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Collette at Lansing, where they gave a party in honor of Mrs. Inez Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Andrews, of Grand Rapids, Mich., spent the week-end of November 24th, as guests of Rev. Waters, his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Waters, Jr. Mr. Andrews is a press feeder in Grand Rapids. His wife is a sister of Mrs. H. B. Waters, Jr.

Mrs. Irma Ryan is confined at home from a breakdown and high blood pressure.

The N. F. S. D., No. 2, had its regular business meeting at Gerow Hall on 333 Grand River Avenue on Friday evening, December 7th. The new officers elected for 1935 are Mr. I. Heymann as president, Mr. T. J. Kenney as vice-president, Mr. Stutsman as secretary, and Mr. A. Japes as treasurer.

MRS. L. MAY

The Capital City

The main hall of Masonic Temple was packed on the night of Saturday, December 8th, when the playlet "A Marriage Proposal," which was staged in Baltimore, Md., last October, was repeated by Lera Roberts, Helen Wriede and Margaret Rebala, of Baltimore, Md. It was for the benefit of the maintenance fund of Alumni Association of the Virginia School for the Deaf. It was a decided success, with two hundred attending. Forty-five deaf came from Richmond, Va., by bus, and twenty from Baltimore, Md. A great number of local deaf applauded the players. The program:

Dialogue, "I. O. U."

Messrs. Pucci and Ferguson A Play, "A Marriage Proposal"

Lera Roberts, Helen Wriede and Margaret Rebala of Baltimore, Md.

Tragedy—Comedy, "Run for Your Life!"

Messrs. Pucci, Allen, Slaughter, Ferguson, and Mesdames Cicchino, Dorsey and Ferguson.

"Coming Thru the Rye"

Mrs. Alley and Miss Roberts

"A Pure-Oral-School Room Comedy"

Messrs. Scott, Ferguson and Pucci

Alphabet Soup Dance

Mesdames Neal, Mobley and Anderson.

"Yankee Doodle"

Winfred Marshall

The recitation of the "Coming Thru the Rye" was well received. A pure-oral school comedy made quite a hit. Winfred Marshall closed the program with "Yankee Doodle." The local ladies of the committee donated the refreshments, consisting of chicken salad and hot coffee. Mr. C. C. Quinley was chairman and with his committee, received congratulations from all for the pleasant evening.

A large number of students from Gallaudet College attended. The Rev. Mr. Georg Almo was present, and enjoyed the entertainment immensely. He remarked that the players were good actors and actresses. The crowd met and chatted together like a reunion.

James McKinley Cannon, who had a train accident some time ago, is getting along very slowly. He and his wife expect to go to live with his aunt in this city. James Cannon is very seldom seen among the deaf.

A copy of the No. 1 N. A. D. Bulletin has arrived and is attracting the Washington deafdom. It contained good solid official news. We wish them success.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild of St. Barnabas' Mission, a chicken pie supper was held in the hall of St. Mark's Church, Wednesday night, December 12th. A good-sized crowd turned out to help the good cause, though the affair was not widely advertised. The Rev. Mr. Georg Almo was present and had the pleasure of meeting the church people. Mrs. Ed. Isaacson was chairman.

Before coming to attend the December 9th services at Baptist Mission, Mrs. R. J. Stewart gave a story of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" to the little boys and girls in the room of Kendall School. The little boys and girls sat, clasping their hands, listening with awed eyes.

Mrs. F. A. Adams' young son was married recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Duvall had several visitors from the South for a week-end visit recently.

Mrs. Gerald Ferguson has been keeping house since last fall, having resigned from her government position.

Mrs. Grace Ballard was seen with one of her daughters at the services of St. Barnabas' Mission. She looked very good.

Mrs. William Cooper and children are still living in their house on Otis Street, N. E. A party has rented a part of the house.

Miss Fanny Simmons, of Marlinton, West Va., expects to remain in the city with her sister, Mrs. Sterling B. Yeager and family, until after New Year's.

A Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you, one and all.

MRS. C. C. COLBY.

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As THE old year nears its end, perhaps it takes with it a mixture of happy and sad thoughts. Voices of time point to visions almost faded, leaving shadows of both loveliness and pain in the path of life.

With the passing of the year there may also go unfulfilled hopes, expectations, longings that have failed us, leaving for the future the wish to reanimate lost yearnings. Yet time, the sage of the ages, the remorseless spirit of the glass and scythe, does not linger, continuing onward in his ceaseless, silent course. He bids us look forward to the New Year that is knocking at the door, for the best that the future may offer.

It may be a bit forehanded but, since this is our last issue in the old year, we extend to all the familiar greeting with our warmest and kindest wishes.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

THE HUMAN face is said to be an index to the mind, and while this may not always prove correct, the outward appearance presented by people, whether in periods of calm or in moments of great excitement, does show some evidence of the working of the mind. Physical reactions to people, things and events, as generally shown in the countenance, plays an important part in our daily lives. It is noticed in all normal people, being inseparable from life itself. We do not create it; its origin is physical and it is ever present. Its variations are numerous and in the human being, the higher form of life, the possession of will and intelligence indicates it in many ways. Thus, through observing the countenance, voluntary or involuntary acts, we may discover intentions not put into words.

These personal manifestations do not appear to have any special muscles developed and set apart for their purpose. All expressive actions originate in movements found serviceable in relieving some sensation, and these often repeated become habitual;

direct action of the excited nervous system produces modifications. An evidence of the truth of this theory is manifest in our daily lives as witnessed in the play of the countenance and the postural attitude at any given time. People naturally extend their arms for anything pleasurable or desirable, while toward things that displease them there is a shrug or gesture of aversion, a contraction of the brows as the arms move to push it away. It is a sort of silent language expressed through posture, facial expression and varied action.

Most people are familiar with the fact that, in following the spoken thoughts of a lecturer, his facial and postural movements often afford the hearers a fuller comprehension of his meaning. To the close observer, indeed, such movements frequently tell more than the spoken word. It is a means through which we may receive a sort of portrayal of the real emotions prompting a thought or an act. Play of features, carriage or repose of body, voluntary or involuntary movements—all have some significance for the eye-witness, sending our thoughts back through the ages to a comprehension of the gradual process of the acquisition of human speech.

The mind is not dependent solely upon the vocal organs for the expression of its thoughts and emotions—there is an index of the interior spirit in the hand and eye that paints upon the countenance its most minute conceptions. "Action speak louder than words," is a maxim combining the results of common observation. In a restricted sense, for indicating motions and expressing the emotions of a speaker, the language of natural action possesses an extent and power of its own. The various parts of the body may be used in an almost endless variety of expressive movements; the eyes may be raised in prayer; the hanging down of the head may denote shame or grief; the holding of it up, pride or courage. To nod forward implies assent, to toss back the head, dissent; a sudden jerk shows wilfulness; the averted head indicates dislike or horror. It leans forward in attention, and can readily represent doubt, pity, aversion, fear, hope, desire, repulsion, permission, restraint—all can be forcibly shown without vocal utterance.

Science tells us that there was originally a natural silent language in use among primitive men, later marked by cries and calls from one to the ears of another, which gradually developed into speech, but man's inclusion of articulate speech did not do away with facial and postural manifestations, giving form to his language; it is reasonable to infer that such motions forms an involuntary corollary of speech. In fact, the use of suitable emphasis to impress a point on an audience, either through postural gesture or change of expression, add to whatever beauty of diction or loftiness of sentiment a spoken discourse may possess; a discourse loses full strength of meaning when delivered with a stolid mien or stiffness of bearing.

Human expression in the countenance is most noticeable in connection with the language of signs. While following the motions of an interpreter using signs in translating spoken language to the deaf, the observer marks the changes in facial expressions with close scrutiny. The

thoughtful cast of countenance prepares him for seriousness; sincerity is easily perceived and sarcasm readily distinguished. Consequently facial expression is recognized as embracing much of the eloquence of the language as indicating the real feelings of the speaker. Whether this is the case or not, the preference of those whose ears are closed to sound and who are familiar with the sign-language, when gathered in large assemblies, is emphatically for clear, expressive signs rather than for uncertain lip-motion. All the elements of clearness enter into the illustrative force of this silent language, making it powerfully expressive, easily understood and not requiring undue tension of the eyes of a deaf audience.

With respect to the criticism of the evil influence of the signs upon the acquisition of correct English by the deaf, it must be conceded that the use of correct language is not common among the congenitally deaf in schools that prohibit signs and, nevertheless, are frequently found to use faulty English. However, our contention is that the adult deaf, no matter what has been the method of instruction they received at school, learn more through reading; and to this add the religious instruction, the general information, and the individual benefit received from church services, lectures, addresses and entertainment presented to them in the language of signs.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE

By Lester Stanfill

Happy New Year everybody!

On Wednesday, December 12th, a group composed of Mr. Powrie Doctor, Stanley Patrie, '36, Felix Kowalewski, '37, and Alexander Ewan Jr. P. C., were invited by Mr. Ewan, Alexander's father, to go up to the tip of the Washington Monument. Mr. Ewan is the foreman of the Monument cleaning job. The party was taken up in the workmen's elevator built in the scaffolding to the platform at the 500-foot level.

From this platform the party could look in the windows and see the people inside. Mr. Ewan then led the way up a steel ladder. At the top of this ladder was another platform, and two more ladders reaching to a small square platform erected around the tip of the Monument. Here Mr. Ewan showed them a thermometer which registered freezing weather. The sightseers, however, were too busy gazing on the aluminum cap and in taking pictures to notice the cold.

There are several inscriptions on the aluminum cap, one of them saying—"Repaired in 1934." Mr. Ewan then led the way down, and presently the party was on terra firma once more, each one finding it hard to realize that he had actually gone up that maze of steel, the hundred-ton scaffolding, to the very top, 555 feet up.

Friday night from eight to ten o'clock the Post-Exam party was held in Chapel Hall. Dancing and games climaxed the evening, and the Committee should be given credit for their efforts to keep every one from thinking of his Exam results, and for the good time had by all.

Saturday morning the entire student body turned out in Chapel Hall to receive the results of their Examinations over which they had been sweating for the past week. Many could be seen sitting tight not daring to breath until they knew for sure the way their luck ran.

Joseph Burnett, '37, of Utah, and Merle Goodin, '37, of Arkansas,

were elected co-captains of Gallaudet's varsity basketball squad for the season, which opened Saturday night with the Alumni games.

The game was a rough and tumble affair, the boys not quite having forgotten the football season. At the start the Blues found the basket and piled up a lead which was never overcome, though by the end of the first half the score stood 15-13. It was in this half that the Alumni showed their strength. After lagging behind at least 10 points, they strengthened up and cut down the score.

The Blues came back in the second half, with Kuglitch, Ellerhorst, and Goodin sinking baskets from almost every angle, playing a smoother game than the Alumni. Toward the closing minutes the game again turned into a game of foot-basket-ball and Coach Wally Krug replaced the regulars with the second string which held the Alumni until the whistle.

The game ended with the score 38-24 in favor of the Blues. Cosgrove and Antila shone for the Alumni. The Blues showed a remarkable improvement in their finding the basket and shooting, but lacked a great deal of experience, so with experience and smoother play, Gallaudet ought to have a successful season. The line-up:

GALLAUDET, 36	ALUMNI, 24
Ellerhorst	rf Cosgrove
Ewan	rf
Higgins	lf Ulmer
Collums	lf
Burnett	c Antila
Hoffmeister	c
Kuglitch	rg Wurdemann
N. Brown	rg
Goodin	lg Pucci
C. Davis	lg Larsen

Referee J. Davis, '37.

Rudolph Gamblin and Madeline Mussman, our Head Seniors, have posted the following social schedule for the Christmas and New Year vacation:

- Dec. 23—General Calling Hour 8 to 9 p.m.
- 24—Y. M. S. C.-Y. W. C. A. Christmas Program 8-10 p.m.; Midnight Mass Franciscan Monastery with Mr. Doctor.
- 25—Christmas Day. Mixed supper and Social to 9 p.m.
- 26—Competitive Plays and Social 8-10 p.m.
- 27—Second Term begins.
- 28—Basketball, Wilson Teachers' College, Old Jim, 7:30 p.m.
- 29—Co-eds Volley Ball, Old Jim, 7:30 p.m.
- 30—General Calling Hour in Chapel, 8-9 p.m.
- 31—Watch Night Party, Chapel Hall, 10 p.m. to 12:15 a.m.
- Jan. 1—New Year's Day.

Pennsylvania

Remember the account that appeared in these columns some time ago about the fine flock of White Rock and Rhode Island Red pullets that Harry L. Coulston of Nisbet raised with so much patient effort? He had hatched the whole flock with a home-made incubator, and the result was truly surprising. This correspondent personally saw and admired those pullets. Evidently there were others who also admired them for on November 17th, thieves broke into his coop and stole thirty chickens. The state police who investigated believe the miscreants came in an auto from distant parts.

Mesdames May Sheetz and Janarius Green, both of Reading, were recent visitors to Philadelphia, where they called upon Mrs. Laura J. Schawalm. They made the trip in the automobile of Mrs. Sheetz's son. While in Philadelphia they met Miss Susan McKinney. It was the first time they had met or seen each other since thirty years ago.

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SEATTLE

After the business meeting in a brief way, the members of the P. S. A. D. celebrated Gallaudet's birthday by relating incidents of their favorite superintendents, at Plymouth Hall, December 8th. Some of them were especially interesting and J. T. Bodley's talk about the founding of Kendall School and Gallaudet College was new to most of us. Bridge was played and home-made cakes, donated by several of the ladies, and coffee were served. Everybody enjoyed the evening, which was a fine idea to honor their first and esteemed friend, Dr. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet. Committee in charge were Mrs. Hanson, A. H. Koberstein and Mrs. McConnell.

It was decided to hold the big W. S. A. D. party February 9th, instead of 23d, because the manager at Elks' Club, offered the free use of the hall, dining room and gymnasium, on that date. The monthly P. S. A. D. will be advanced a week immediately after adjournment of the N. F. S. D., February 2nd. The Fraternal men will elect their convention delegate and alternate, while the P. S. A. D. will have its annual election of officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harris, of Yakima, were in town last week, looking after their cottage in White Center and staying at Mrs. Harris' sister and at Mr. and Mrs. John Adams in Renton. They attended the Gallaudet celebration and the Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, the next day. We were pleased to see them as they had lived here many years before they moved to Yakima.

Mrs. Harris left for Portland, December 10th, to see another sister and she accompanied Mrs. Rudy Spieler home, going by stage. Mrs. Spieler spent a few weeks with her brother, Ralph Pickett and helped look after the new baby, which arrived last month. While here Mrs. Spieler took dinners with her friends, and attended our club, parties and church, making many friends.

There were three surprise birthday parties this month. One was for Miss Sophia Mullin, planned by Mrs. Reeves, the others were for Messrs. Arthur Martin and Lancelot Evans by their wives at their homes on different nights. All reported a gay time.

Miss Doris Nation went by train to Wenatchee and visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Belser during her Thanksgiving vacation. She met Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers and two children, of Ellensburg, there and they enjoyed the few days together.

Miss Nation just received word that Mr. Belser underwent an operation for hernia.

Having not seen Mr. and Mrs. Whitworth recently we presume they have returned to their home in San Francisco. Here's hoping they come again.

M. J. Clark, of Mabton, received a telegram from his daughter, Mrs. Nelson, to come to see her after her unexpected operation for appendicitis yesterday. He came and said Izora is doing nicely. He bought an excursion ticket to Santa Rosa, Cal., and is leaving for the South in a day or so to visit his three children, and to make acquaintance with his two new grandsons.

Miss Mia Plum, whose home is in Issaquah, about twenty miles from Seattle, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Garrison for a week, and she had the time of her life looking around in a big city.

Paul Hoelschner is up and around on crutches, much improved, to the pleasure of his friends. He was badly hurt by an auto, knocking him down while crossing a street.

Miss Henrietta Meekhoff was in Snohomish last week, signing papers to sell her farm, bequeathed to her by her father before he passed away last summer. She sold her Essex car a couple months ago, and may get another one. She has been driving autos the past ten years.

Clarence Thoms and his foreman, of the Ice Company, motored to Spokane to transact some business. Clarence drove the boss' by car both ways and liked it.

Claude Ziegler came over from Duvall to King County Hospital to receive treatment for a bad case of carbuncle on his leg. He has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Root.

PUGET SOUND.

Dec. 16, 1934.

CALIFORNIA

This is being written in San Pedro, commonly designated as Los Angeles Harbor or Port of Los Angeles, a suburb of Los Angeles. Although the Los Angeles City Hall lies twenty-two miles in a northward direction San Pedro is governed by the mayor in that building. Folks that have never been in this locality or have not been here since 1910 can hardly imagine the vast area lying within the incorporated city limits. The city of Los Angeles was founded in 1781 and in 1933 had a population of 2,280,234; covering an area of 450.51 square miles; with a network of 3,826 miles of hard surfaced streets; 85 miles of ocean frontage of which 42 miles are natural beaches and 10 miles of improved docks; 795 public schools; and 250 private schools of all kinds; 17 universities and colleges; and 335 libraries of all types; and what is more interesting to you, approximately 2000 deaf citizens reside within the city and over a thousand are scattered through several counties to the south. Los Angeles County has an area of 4,115 square miles.

Having spoken of nearly everything, there remains the greatest lure of all—the climate. Practically all the population has moved here from other states. In place of heavy clothing, coats and high coal bills, it is usually much more comfortable to go shopping in shirt sleeves any day when the sun shines than a la mode of 5th Avenue. Indeed, styles of attire are so free and uncensored that occasionally society girls roam the streets shopping in shorts and bandeaux, while many wear neither hats nor gloves for ordinary street wear.

No doubt news of deaf population is of more interest to you. Of the 3,000 deaf people in this region, it is quite likely that you will find no more than fifty are native born. A truly more cosmopolitan gathering, it is the greatest "melting pot" of deafdom, and the most difficult group upon which to put across new ideas.

Since every locality has its own customs and pet prejudices, is it any wonder that Los Angeles Deafdom is a mixture of all of these? Despite the heavy handicap of the obstacles raised by the general deaf population, there has been formed and in existence since last spring an organization called the "Southern California Civic League of the Deaf," which has been very active in acting as a representative for the deaf in contact with the general public. In a greater measure it has taken the place of the far remote National Association of the Deaf and the apparently dormant California Association of the Deaf, in upholding the rights of deaf citizens.

Founded through the initiative, resourcefulness and foresight of a few modest leaders of the deaf, it has already made its influence felt in this community. Deaf citizens having difficulties of any kind dealing with their struggle to secure a living have found this organization of great material aid. The SERA has officially recognized the Civic League, as it is generally called by the deaf, as the sole spokesman for the deaf population in this locality. In conjunction with the SERA the Civic League has smoothed out many small difficulties that have arisen between deaf individuals and the SERA.

Commencing late last spring the Civic League has been holding mass

meetings in a centrally located public school auditorium every last Friday evening of each month. At these mass meetings there have always been important officials of the CWA and SERA setup: Governor Frank F. Merriam, Mr. Upton Sinclair, (democratic candidate for governor); Judge Ben B. Lindsay, famous juvenile court authority; and Mr. Elwood A. Stevenson of the California School for the Deaf have appeared. These meetings are open to the general public and the deaf people are encouraged to bring their relatives and hearing friends, as there are competent interpreters for everyone.

One of the biggest helps to the Civic League has been Mrs. Elizabeth Gesner, whom many people may recollect as the former Miss Elizabeth Thompson, a daughter of Mr. Zach B. Thompson, the old printing teacher at the Iowa School. Mrs. Gesner is now a teacher at the local Day School, but has always given freely of her time as interpreter. Another valuable helper is Mr. Hiram Hensley, formerly of Wichita, Kansas.

Plans are now being worked out for the establishment of several special evening school classes for the adult deaf under the Los Angeles City Board of Education. Tentative plans call for the formation of classes in any subject in which a sufficient number of deaf adults show interest in. All of this is being based upon plans utilizing competent deaf teachers to conduct the classes. By securing official recognition of competent deaf teachers as instructors to deaf adults the entire deaf population would be elevated to a higher plane. It is believed that the success of this idea would make this the first adult evening school in the world having both deaf students and instructors.

For the benefit of interested readers it may not be amiss to explain the setup of the Southern California Civic League of the Deaf. Officials of the organization include: Mr. Perry E. Seely, president; Mr. Marcus Tibbetts, first vice-president; Mrs. William F. Schneider, second vice-president; Mr. Preston Barr, Jr., Secretary; and Mr. Don K. Kier, treasurer. These officials were elected out of a permanent legislative body of twenty-five deaf leaders selected at large from all groups. There are also several standing committees likewise selected from the legislative body which includes: Advisory; Educational, Ways and Means; and Civil Service committees.

It may be a complete surprise to readers to learn that there are no membership dues, no admission fee nor initiation rituals of any kind. In plain words there are no strings attached. Up to this time funds of the payment of writing paper, postage, telegrams, calls and incidentals have been raised by giving a worthwhile dance. Instead of being an exclusive organization for the select few, the Civic League is for the welfare of the entire deaf population of this part of Southern California.

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Second Sunday of the month.—Pottsville, Trinity Church, 11 A.M. Allentown, The Mediator, 3 P.M. Reading, Christ Church, 7:30 P.M.

Third Sunday of the month.—Johnstown, St. Mark's Church, 11 A.M. Greensburg, Christ Church, 2:30 P.M. Pittsburgh, Trinity Cathedral, 7:30 P.M.

Fourth Sunday of the month.—Hazleton, St. Peter's Church, 11 A.M. Scranton, St. Luke's Church, 2:30 P.M. Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's, 7:30 P.M.

Monthly services are given, by appointment, at the following places: Williamsport, Franklin, Oil City, Erie, Beaver Falls, Monongahela, Donora, Altoona, Shamokin, Easton, Lebanon and Punxsutawney. Celebrations of the Holy Communion, and all special services, are by appointment. For full information address the Missionary.

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Another year with us is now commencing;
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And we may pass them bravely, strong or weary,
For God goes with us till we reach the last.

And though within the year that now is over.
We laid some cherished hopes and dreams to rest,
They'll spring anew and grow to full fruition,
If we keep faith with God and do our best.

And should we miss some dear, familiar presence,
Gone on before us to our home above,
Then He, who has our dead in tender keeping,
Will heal our sorrows with His balm of love.

The year that's gone held much of gloom and sadness,
But see, the clouds are lifting—light is near,
The dark and gloomy cloud of dull depression
Dissolves in sunlight, lo, the dawn is here!
Look up, brave hearts. The glad New Year is dawning,
So full of golden promises and so bright; A year that will be filled with joy and blessing.
If we but trust in God and do the right!

ANNE M. ADAM.

The above verses, which appeared in the Hamilton *Spectator* last year, were used by a local minister, the Rev. R. J. Wilson, of Erskine Presbyterian Church, as a text for his New Year's sermon.

HAMILTON

There was a large attendance of deaf and hearing friends at the funeral of Mr. Angus R. Quick, on Thursday morning, December 13th.

Mr. Quick had been a clerk in the local post office for over 27 years and Mr. John Richter, postmaster, and about ten members of the postoffice staff attended the funeral. Practically all the deaf members of Centenary Church, and of the literary and sewing clubs were present.

The service at the home and cemetery was conducted by the Rev. Robert Moynan of New Westminster Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. Carl Harris interpreting.

Mrs. Gleadow, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Breen beautifully rendered the hymn, "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Beautiful floral tributes were sent, including a large wreath from the Hamilton Mission and literary club, sewing club, postoffice staff and the Signal Corps (of which Mr. Milton Quick is a member.) Pillow "to husband and father" and a beautiful spray from "Connaught Avenue Neighbours."

The pallbearers were N. Arthur, H. Moore, H. Harris, N. L. Gleadow, F. Nash and Carl Harris. All, except the last named, were members of the postoffice staff.

Interment was made in Hamilton Cemetery.

The death occurred in this city, on 13th December, of Miss Mary McShane, only daughter of Mrs. E. McShane, and sister of Arthur McShane.

The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, 15th December, to Eastlawn Cemetery.

A number of deaf friends were present and the service was interpreted for them by Mrs. Carl Harris.

Miss McShane, who had been deaf from infancy, looked very lovely in her last sleep.

Beautiful flowers were sent, including a wreath from the Hamilton Mission.

Two deaf young men, James Matthews and Jack Harrison, and four hearing friends acted as pallbearers.

Mrs. Howard Breen is looking forward with pleasure to the arrival,

this week, of her mother, from Toronto. Mrs. Rees will spend Christmas and New Year here.

Mrs. Breen heard recently that her uncle, the Rev. William Rees, had died in England.

Although Mrs. Breen had never seen her uncle, they corresponded regularly and his daughter will now take his place as correspondent, so that Mrs. Breen will still get news of her relatives in the old country.

A very enjoyable party was held at the home of Bud Male, on Saturday, 15th, December, prior to his return to the Belleville school after the New Year. About 23 were present and tables of euchre were arranged. Prize winners were: ladies, 1st Miss Nye, 2nd Mrs. Taylor. Men, 1st C. Murtell, 2nd J. Taylor. Refreshments were served later and a very pleasant time was had by all.

Miss Peggy Gleadon will spent part of the Christmas holidays in Toronto, with her friend Miss Doris Grooms and is looking forward to a real good time.

LONDON, ONT.

Here is a living message of good cheer, happiness and joy. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and many Happy New Years.

Hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBrien (nee Blanche Brewer) of Peterborough, upon the arrival of a baby girl. They are well known and popular in London.

There was a large crowd at the Y.M.C.A. on Sunday afternoon, December 9th, to attend the Harris service.

Mr. Harris spoke from Romans 12:9-21, and his address was entitled, "Notice—our life decision."

The visitors included Mrs. Paul and Mrs. Beckett of St. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Stewardson and George Moore of Forest.

The deaf friends of London learned with regret that Mr. Angus Quick passed away in Hamilton. Our deep sympathies go to Mr. Quick and family.

The "grab party," under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fishbien, started off smoothly at the Y. M. C. A. on Saturday evening, December 8th, with a large attendance.

Several new games were indulged in and prizes given.

A nice sum for the benefit of the Springbank picnic fund was realized.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Fishbien, assisted by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Sophie Fishbien.

From all appearances, everyone enjoyed the occasion thoroughly.

Mr. George Munro, of St. Thomas, and Mrs. William Gould have been selected as auditors for the Springbank picnic. A report will be given at the May 1935 meeting.

Mrs. Samuel Beckett and Mrs. Edward Paul, of St. Thomas, spent the week-end of December 8th, with relatives and friends in London.

Many of our deaf friends are planning to spend Christmas and New Year with their parents. We sincerely hope that they will have an enjoyable time.

Mr. Arthur Cowan and his son, Charlie, who have been confined to the house through sickness, are better again.

A. M. ADAM.

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CHARITY BALL

March 30, 1935

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(Particulars later)

Portland, Oregon

The annual Gallaudet Day celebration took place at the Oregon State School for the Deaf on Saturday night, December 8th. The events started with a fine dinner, of which nearly 200 partook, Rev. E. Eichmann, of Portland, asked the blessing at the table. After all were well filled, Supt. J. Lyman Steed started the program with Mrs. Florence Gussing and Mr. Osmo Lahti, who gave an interesting story of the life of the founder of the first deaf school, Thomas H. Gallaudet. Mrs. Gussing read the story, while Mr. Lahti interpreted it in the sign-language. Mr. Steed then asked the oldest teachers and pupils and other Salem and state officers to stand. Many hearing people attended, along with nearly all the deaf from Salem, and about twelve from Portland. Mr. Steed next invited all to go upstairs in the school auditorium, where the pupils gave a fine entertainment. The program:

1. Opening remarks
2. The Five Ghosts:

Cast of Characters, in order of appearance

Kathleen, the daughter

Kathleen Doherty

Lyon, the son Osmo Lahti

Mr. Reichmann, the father Leylan Wood

Louise Jean Cavender

Janie Sadie Beachy

Emma, Kathleen's chum Freda Akesson

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Max Earl Moxley

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Hoyle Walter Stennan

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SCENE II.—A room in the haunted house

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Mabel Shaffer Mrs. Gussing

8. Fancy Dancing June Butson

9. Boy Scouts

10. Dance and Drill

11. Address Mr. J. O. Reichle,

12. Poem Mrs. J. O. Reichle,

President, O. A. D. 12

At the end of the very fine entertainment, all went down in the reception room, meeting friends and chatting away the evening, which ended with ice-cream and cake. Everybody enjoyed the whole evening. The Sunday following Mrs. Lindstrom invited Mr. and Mrs. Reichle and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, of Portland, to dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Hummel also invited a few friends for dinner. Rev. Eichmann was the guest of Supt. and Mrs. Steed. Portlanders also called on Mr. and Mrs. Werner. Mr. Lindstrom and Mr. Toll used their cars freely for the visitors. Rev. Eichmann held service during the afternoon, after which all left for their homes.

Everything is in shipshape for the big New Year's Frolic in Portland, December 31st, according to Chairman Greenwald. Many from Seattle, Vancouver and Salem are coming.

There will be bowling and basketball games before the big dance and games start. The event is under the auspices of the Oregon Association of the Deaf, to be held at Neighbors of Woodcraft Hall, 14th Avenue and S. W., Morrison Street. Anyone happening by this way had better paste this date in their hat. Fifty cents will admit one to all.

Another big event will take place in February. The Ladies of the Hope Lutheran Church for the Deaf will give a good dinner in the church basement after the service on Sunday, 2:30 P.M., February 17th. This is to celebrate both the fourteenth anniversary of the church for the deaf and the tenth year of Rev. Eichmann as its pastor. All are welcome to attend. A small charge for the dinner. New officers for 1935 were elected: H. P. Nelson, president; Rev. Eichmann, secretary; Royal Cooke, treasurer; Mr. George Kreidt, trustee. Mrs. Gromachek was chosen president of the L. L. A.; Mrs. Nelson, vice-president; Mrs. Kreidt, treasurer.

Dec. 12th. H. P. NELSON.

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Meets first Thursday evening each month at St. Mark's Parish House, 230 Adelphi Street, near DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn. Mr. Charles B. Terry, Secretary, 65 Lefferts Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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The Romance of Wreck-Raising

By Frank T. Bullen

Wrecking is a word with a sinister sound like piracy, but unlike the latter, it has a double meaning. The operations of wreckers who lure ships to their doom by false signals and lights constitute no small portion of the lurid romance of seafaring.

But the work of the wrecker whose object is entirely humane and praiseworthy belongs to quite a different category.

Very early in the history of seafaring the mariner was often driven by necessity and aided by natural aptitude to perform some wonderful feats in rescuing the vessel, which was not only his home, but also his warehouse and his fortune, from a position in which she seemed hopelessly lost.

One typical instance is that related Capt. by William Scoresby, whose ship, the *Esk*, of Whitby, with a large quantity of oil and whalebone on board, was nipped in the ice of the Arctic seas, and pierced by a long spear jutting out from the floe, so that she rapidly let in the water, and would have sunk had not the encompassing ice upheld her and given her resourceful commander time to formulate his plans for saving her.

Without going into details, the cargo and stores were transferred to the ice, and the ship, by the cleverest manipulation of huge tackles, was hove down first upon one side and then upon the other, every man toiling like a Titan under the inspiring guidance of the captain; the ugly rents in her bottom were repaired, her cargo and stores reshipped; and, in time to clear the fast-closing-in bonds of winter, she sailed away, and reached England in safety.

Another instance which came under my own notice was that of a large ship called the *E. J. Spicer*, which ran ashore in the Basin of Minas, near Cape Split. She was a soft-wood vessel of Nova Scotian build; and apparently those interested in her thought her case hopeless, for they sold her as she lay, for a trifling sum, to an energetic man of my acquaintance.

The place where the *Spicer* lay fairly comfortable was visited twice a day by a tremendous rise of tide—which, I may say in passing, is one of the most potent factors in the multifarious operations of wreck-raising. Because of the cost of bringing material there, my friend did not attempt to repair the ship where she lay, although she was high and dry twice a day; but he purchased a very large number of empty petroleum-barrels, carefully bunged, which he secured in her hold and shored down from the between-deck beams so securely that they could not shift.

At last, when it was evident that a little more buoyancy would lift her, he rushed a large number of barrels on board at low water, and all was secure well before high-water time.

She floated, although there were huge rents in her bottom all round. She was sailed across the basin to a small shipyard, was repaired, loaded with lumber, and within eighty days of the time my friend had taken her in land delivered at once her cargo in London and him out of his difficulties.

But these operations, brightly as they bring into relief the skill and resourcefulness of sea-farers, are exceedingly crude, and only applicable to comparatively small wooden vessels. The modern wrecker calls in all the latest resources of science to aid, and supplements them with perseverance, skill and energy.

Whenever I hear any one speaking of the decadence of our modern workers my mind invariably reverts to the two businesses of wreck-raising and lighthouse-building.

The modern equipment of a vessel devoted to salvage or wreck-raising comprises a bewildering assortment of engineering appliances, all immensely powerful, all of the simplest

possible construction, and all made of such material and treated in such a way that being in or under water for a few days, or even weeks, does them no real harm.

There are pumps capable of throwing over a ton of water a second, and not given to shirking if the water is muddy or sandy; hammers, drills and riveters worked by pneumatic pressure, and striking about fifteen hundred blows a minute, either under water or above, needing only a skilful hand to guide them; complete diving equipments; and electric lamps to illuminate the gloomy recesses of a sunken vessel's hold or to blaze above the dark waters when the lost ship has risen again.

But more wonderful than all else is the use made of the most terrible explosives. Dynamite charges, carefully graduated, are stored in abundance, and used either for clearing away a protruding pinnacle of rock or, attached to the ragged edges of a rent in the side of a sunken vessel, for blowing those edges smoothly off, in order to allow a patch to be built over the hole.

Of course, for certain cases there will be pontoons—hollow iron tanks of varying sizes, their lifting-power carefully noted, and their shapes so arranged that they fit closely to the sides of a wrecked ship. These are the analogues of my friend's petroleum-barrels, but far more efficacious, in that they are so much easier to secure to the ship, and also in that they can be sunk and fastened to the sides of the vessel under water by the divers, then pumped out and made air-tight by a few turns of a screw, when they will immediately exert all their enormous lifting-power.

Then there is the salving-ship herself, a vessel not too large, but of immense strength of hull, of great engine-power for towing purposes, and equipped with mighty cranes and derricks for hoisting weights up to fifty tons each. She is herself a huge tool, which, in the hands of her able master, may exert a tremendous leverage when assisted by a rising tide. For when all machinery has been taken into account, it still remains true, as I have before noted, that the most potent factor in wreck-raising is the tide, when utilized by scientific skill.

The salving-ship is, besides, a perfectly equipped workshop, with all sorts of engineering appliances whereby special tools may be improvised to meet sudden needs arising in special cases. An all-important item of her equipment is her electrical installation for the working of search-lights and arc-lights of great power. An air-compressing plant is necessary for the working of the pneumatic tools which form so important a part of the diver's equipment. A complete telephone service is also carried, in order that the submarine workers may communicate freely with those above who are attending to their needs.

Such a vessel, although of only some five hundred tons' gross register, will carry about one hundred men, every one of whom will be carefully selected for his ability in some trade, such as carpentry, blacksmithing, engine-work, diving, or electrical engineering, and especially for his readiness to go anywhere and do anything at the word of command, whether it be his special duty or not.

There are men who look upon the successful accomplishment of a job as a prize in itself far above the mere monetary value of the wages they receive and so faithfully earn. The conditions under which they work are the most strenuous and dangerous imaginable, and toil as they will, the sea may rise in its might just as they are about to achieve the summit of their desires, and bring their labors all to naught.

The steamship *Milwaukee*, of seventy-three hundred and twenty-three tons, ran on an outlying reef of rocks in one of the most exposed positions on the northeast coast of England, and was damaged so badly

that her total loss appeared certain. Heavy weather was constant, and the grinding of the great hull upon the jagged rock surfaces beneath made it appear impossible that anything could be done to save her.

But the Liverpool Salvage Association took the job in hand; and the able man in charge of the wrecking steamer decided that while it was not possible to save her entire, the most valuable half of her was salvable. An attack was made upon the ship in spite of the exceedingly perilous conditions, and the bulkhead immediately forward of the engine-room was first strengthened. Then charges of dynamite enclosed in rubber tubes were fastened to the sides of the vessel, and exploded with such good effect that she was completely divided. The very valuable after-part, with its engines and boilers, was dragged off the rocks and towed into Newcastle, where a new fore end was built on to her, and she began again her career of usefulness.

Another case is that of a steamship sunk in eleven fathoms of water off the coast of Ireland, to which the salving vessel was attached with stout chains swept under the bottom of the sunken ship and hauled or hove tight at low water. Then, when the tide made, the buoyancy of the salving vessel lifted the wreck. Steaming shoreward until the wreck again touched bottom, she waited until the tide ran out, when the wreck was patched up, floated, and taken into harbor.

Such a method as this last can, of course, be applied only to a sunken vessel of moderate size. A large ship like one of the modern liners can only be salved by much more costly and tedious methods if she has sunk.

One such case I remember very well, for it is almost unique in the annals of wreck-raising. The *Austral*, Orient liner of six thousand tons, was, through sheer neglect, sunk in Sydney harbor, New South Wales. She was being coaled at night through her side ports, and by almost incredible carelessness her lower ports were left open. The coal made her settle until the water ran into the open ports, and those on board suddenly awoke to the fact that the huge vessel was sinking. Down she went until she rested on the bottom, the tops of her funnels and half of her masts remaining visible above water.

After much consultation, it was decided to build a coffer-dam right round her upper works, an immense superstructure, water-tight, and reaching to the surface of the bay. Divers closed the ports which had been left open, the great pumps were set to work, and the mighty fabric rose slowly to the surface unharmed, as far as the hull was concerned, by her long sojourn in the darksome recesses of Port Jackson harbor.

The search for sunken treasure has been for the wreck-raiser a veritable will-o'-the-wisp, and it is certain that more money has been sunk in it than will ever be recovered.

In the first place, it must be remembered that great as is the development of engineering skill, the pressure of the water beyond certain depths effectually prevents the diver from working; the human machinery, which always has the last word, gives out, and search becomes impossible.

Again, in shallower waters, the ancient treasure-ship has become completely overlaid by the sand, ooze, and weed of centuries' accumulation, while the disintegrating forces at work have often dissipated the ship, and allowed the imperishable gold pieces to be dispersed in the soft, elusive sand or mud.

Be it also borne in mind that with the most powerful aid from electric lamps, the bottom of the sea is still a place full of dim mystery. The shadows flicker and deceive, the footing is as if one should walk the heavens and tread on cloud, and the diver is exposed to death in so many terrible aspects that it is a matter for

highest admiration and wonder that he endures at all.

The earnest and continual endeavor to repair the damage done by the sea, to make the pitiless wave, the hungry reef, or iron-bound coast give up its prey, is more filled with romance and yields a far greater return in wealth than all the schemes for raising sunken treasure.

Florida Flashes

Among the many tourists now spending the balmy winter in St. Petersburg is Mrs. Wm. A. Purdon, sister of the late Mrs. S. M. Froeman, of Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. and Mrs. Augustus Rogers, of Danville, Ky., are again occupying their winter residence in Lake Alfred. Dr. Rogers was for many years superintendent of the state school for the deaf at Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Lodge have been residing in Poala the past ten years, the former being employed by the Umatilla Fruit Co. as fruit picker. The young couple attended the Georgia school together. Poala is located five miles north of Sanford.

Miss Ada Fason, a valued cook at the Dixie Home, has recently left to enter the employ of Mrs. H. A. Watts, an attorney-at-law of Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Watts is a daughter of Mrs. C. L. Jackson.

The Kiwanis Club of Morganton, North Carolina, has voted to admit Mr. O. W. Underhill as a full fledged member. Mr. Underhill was a former teacher at the St. Augustine school, and since leaving there several years ago has been with the teaching faculty of the Morganton school.

Mrs. Erhard D. Strecker, who, with her son Terry, have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Meyer at Wynnewood, Pa., for several weeks, returned to St. Petersburg, Florida, on November 2nd, to join her husband, and their other son, Jack, for the season.—Mt. Airy (Pa.) World.

Diphtheria has had a recent foothold in Winter Haven, and among its many victims was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Schmidt of that city. He was making favorable progress and being desirous of attending a football game he witnessed it, but after returning home he was confined again to his bed with flu. Through careful nursing of his mother, with the assistance of a Red Cross nurse, the boy was soon on the road to complete recovery.

Miss Kate Ashworth, formerly a resident of Tampa, has made her home with her father in Lafayette, Ga., over a year. She is working in a glove factory at Trion, ten miles from where she lives. On account of the distance, she has found it necessary to make daily trips via auto.

Miss Edna Mae Downing has returned to her home in Council Bluffs, Iowa, from a recent trip to Miami.

If pawpaws that Chas. H. Cory, Jr. of St. Petersburg, recently shipped to his Ohio friends, are raised in Florida, the writer would like to know. Ohio has them a-plenty and they could be had much cheaper. It's the papayas that we in Florida raise. And papayas and pawpaws are not the same.

Wm. Kleinhaus, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has relatives in St. Cloud, will return after the holidays.

From Canton, Ohio, it is reported that Mrs. Lizzie Monnin will make arrangements to spend the winter in St. Cloud, coming some time this month or next.

The Indianapolis (Ind.) school will be closed for a two-week holiday recess, and Miss Ida Kinsley, a teacher there for about fifty years, will spend the interim with her life-long friend, Miss Vina Smith, in St. Cloud. Mrs. Ezra Cole, who has been visiting in and around Indianapolis for several months, will probably accompany Miss Kinsley to Florida.

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